

Notice of Agency Rule-making Proposal

Agency: Office of Elder Services (OES)

Chapter Number and Title: 10-149 Chapter 5, Office of Elder Services Policy Manual,

Rule Title or Subject: Section 10, The State Agency

Proposed Rule Number: (Assigned by Secretary of State)

CONCISE SUMMARY: (Understandable by average citizen)

The Office of Elder Services proposes to amend Section 10, The State Agency, as follows:

- Change agency name as required by law, P.L. 2005, ch. 412.
- Clarify, correct and update authorizing legislative and regulatory citations.
- As required by the federal Administration on Aging, for agreements beginning 7/1/06, amend the intrastate funding formula to update it, better reflect the growing percentage of people aged 75 and older in Maine's population and add consideration for the rural nature of certain areas (rurality) in Maine in order to allocate service funds granted to Maine by the Administration on Aging as fairly and accurately as possible among the state's five area agencies on aging.

This rule will __will not X have a fiscal impact on municipalities.

Statutory Authority: Older Americans Act of 1965, 42 USCS §3001 et. seq. as amended; 45 CFR Part 1321; 22 MRSA, ch. 1451, 1453, 1455, 1457; P.L. 2005, and ch. 412.

Public Hearing: None scheduled. This is a re-submission of rules due to a missed statutory deadline. A public hearing was already held on 11/21/05. An additional change has made in Section 10.03 (I) to restore language referencing the Independent Housing with Services Program.

Deadline for Comments: Written comments will be accepted by mail, fax or e-mail until 5:00 p.m. on June 12, 2006

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